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11. (U) Embassy offices found no incriminating evidence on RefTel user, David Rolando Hurtado. RSO law enforcement sources did, however, confirm that Mr. Hurtado's firearms dealer license expired on February 3, 2006; they found no evidence that he was in the process of renewing it. Local law enforcement officials also confirmed that Mr. Hurtado was no longer located at the address provided on the RefTel application. His new location, which is a small restaurant, is 232 Larga Street, Cuenca, Azuay province. Police believe that he may now be illegally selling firearms. Given this information, the Embassy recommends denial of his application. JEWELL